

Chapter 5
A Mysterious Smoker
in Bardon

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ACCA

HQ Tour

09:30-11:30

14:00-16:00

OKAY
BOYS AND
GIRLS!

LISTEN
TO THE
NICE TOUR
GUIDE!

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BUT I'LL BE
INTRODUCING
THE WORLD OF
ACCA TO YOU
TODAY.

I'M SURE
YOU ALL RE-
MEMBER THIS
FROM SOCIAL
STUDIES.



THIS KINGDOM WAS SPLIT INTO 13 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.

NOW, A FURTHER

100 YEARS BEFORE THAT,



WHO UNITED THEM INTO ONE KINGDOM AND BROUGHT PEACE TO THE LAND.

IT WAS THE KING OF THE TIME, KING HINOJI,



ACCA WAS CREATED 99 YEARS AGO.

THAT'S AS OLD AS THE KING!

THAT'S RIGHT!



NOW, LET'S TURN BACK THE CLOCK, TO THE TIME OF OUR KING'S FATHER.

BACK THEN, 13 OF THESE COUNTRIES JOINED FORCES AND STARTED A COUP.



AND ALSO
BECAUSE
HIS SON WAS
ABOUT TO BE
BORN.

THE
KING AT THE
TIME WANTED
TO PROTECT THE
COUNTRY THAT HIS
PREDECESSORS
HAD BUILT UP.



BY GIVING
THE 12 STATES
AUTONOMOUS
RULE, WITH A
FEW CON-
DITIONS.

AND THEY
NEGOTIATED
WITH EACH OTHER.
HE WAS ABLE TO
PEACEFULLY STOP
THE COUP

HE WANTED
A PEACEFUL
RESOLUTION TO
THE CONFLICT.
SO HE WENT TO
THE LEADERS
OF EACH
TERRITORY



THAT
ORGANIZATION
AT THE END
OF THE LIST
WAS ACCA!

WERE
SOME OF
THE THINGS
DECIDED AT
THE TIME.

A CIVILIAN
ORGANIZATION
THAT WAS
INDEPENDENT
FROM THE GOVERN-
MENT

CREATION OF
A CENTRAL
COMMITTEE
AND

RELOCATION
OF THE
CAPITAL.





THEY'RE
ALREADY
THAT OLD?

TO THINK,
MY KIDS ARE
GOING TO BE
ON THAT
TOUR NEXT
YEAR.



THEY
WAS KNOW
OF EACH

HUH.

ONE'S 3,
ANOTHER'S
5 AND THE
ELDEST
IS 7.

HAS YOUR
WIFE COME
HOME YET?

NOT YET.

















YOU
WENT
DRINKING
WITH JEAN
THE OTHER
DAY, DIDN'T
YOU?

I'LL
HAVE A
CHOCO-
LATE
SUNDAE.

HE
ISN'T THAT
STRONG A
DRINKER.

SO
LET HIM
GO HOME
BEFORE
HE DRINKS
HIMSELF
SILLY.

SURE.



NINO!



A BREAK-
DOWN OF
THE BUILDING
MANAGEMENT
FEES.

WHAT
ARE YOU
WORKING
ON?





BUT
BUILDING
MANAGER
IS A STABLE
JOB, YOU
KNOW?

YOU'RE
NOT FROM A
RICH FAMILY, SO
IT'S NOT LIKE
YOU HAVE
MONEY.



IT REALLY
IS A MYSTERY
WHY HE WON'T
QUIT.

HE CAN
PUT FOOD ON
THE TABLE EVEN
IF HE QUILTS
ACCA.

AND
HIS SALARY
THERE IS LOW
TO BEGIN
WITH.



ALRIGHT.

I'M SURE
HE'LL TELL
YOU WHY,
NINO.



DO YOU
GUYS
TALK

ABOUT
STUFF LIKE
THAT?

WE
HAVEN'T.

I'LL
BRING IT
UP NEXT
TIME.



HOW'S
WORK?

DOES
BEING A
FREELANCE
JOURNALIST
PAY?

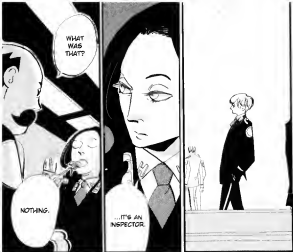
IT'S
BUSY.













IT SEEMS
LIKE THE
USUAL
PERSON
WATCHING
ME

IS GONE.
I DON'T
FEEL THEIR
PRESENCE
ANYMORE.

THANKS,
NINO.

5 Directors' Meeting Room



SAME
HERE.

SHE ISN'T
THE TYPE TO
BE TRICKED
BY A SIMPLE
RUMOR.

BUT MALIVE
BEING ON THE
MOVE DOES
BOTHER ME.



LET'S JUST
DISMISS THE
RUMOR ABOUT
THE COUP AS
JUST THAT, A
RUMOR.



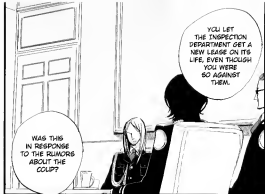
THAT'S A
PROBLEM...

BUT
THERE IS A
BIGGER ISSUE
WITHIN OUR
MIST.



GROSHILAR,
IT WOULD
APPEAR

THAT YOU
KNEW OF THIS
RUMOR BEFORE
THE REST OF
US DID?



WAS THIS
IN RESPONSE
TO THE RUMORS
ABOUT THE
COUP?

YOU LET
THE INSPECTION
DEPARTMENT GET A
NEW LEASE ON ITS
LIFE, EVEN THOUGH
YOU WERE
SO AGAINST
THEM.



...YES,
IT WAS.



THIS ISN'T
A JOB
THAT THEY
SHOULD BE
DOING.

ISN'T THAT
OUTSIDE OF
THEIR JURIS-
DICTION?

BUT...
HAVING THE
INSPECTORS
INVESTIGATE
THE COUP...



MAJIVE
WASNT
ABLE TO FIND
EXCLUSIVE
EVIDENCE TO
BE 100%
CERTAIN.

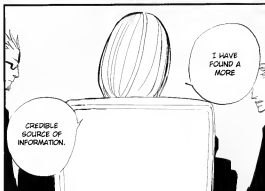


BUT I HAD
HER STOP
HER INVESTI-
GATION.

THE S OF
US WOULD
HANDLE THIS
CASE.



IT MAY
BE MORE
THAN JUST A
RUMOR THIS
TIME.



CREDIBLE
SOURCE OF
INFORMATION.

I HAVE
FOUND A
MORE



THE
SMOKER?

I HAVE
INFORMATION
THAT THE
INSPECTION
DEPARTMENT'S
DEPUTY
MANAGER,

JEAN OTIS,
IS AN
ACCOMPLICE
TO THE
COUP.





I'M SURE
THERE ARE
OTHERS IN
THIS ROOM

WHO
HAVE HAD
THEIR EYES
ON HIM.



NOT TO
MENTION THE
COUNTLESS
TRANSFER
REQUESTS
HE SENT IN.



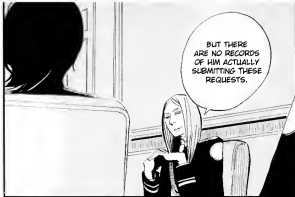
HE
VOTED FOR
GETTING
RID OF THE
DEPART-
MENT,

WHICH
SHOWS
THAT HE
WANTS
TO RETIRE
FROM HIS
CURRENT
ROLE.



ARE YOU
SAYING
THAT HE'S
USING HIS
INSPECTION
DUTIES

TO TRAVEL
AROUND THE
KINGDOM AND
COMMUNICATE
WITH THE
REBELS?



BUT THERE
ARE NO RECORDS
OF HIM ACTUALLY
SUBMITTING THESE
REQUESTS.



BUT EVEN
IF HE IS
PART OF
THE COUP
FORCES,

WHY IS
THERE A NEED
TO KEEP THE
INSPECTION
DEPARTMENT
AROUND?



HE HAS AN
ULTERIOR
MOTIVE.



THIS IS
BUT ONE
OF HIS
LIES.





AS YOU
KNOW, IT
IS THE 6 OF
US WHO ACT
AS A COMMON
REFERENCE
POINT FOR
UNDERCOVER
AGENTS,

NO OTHER
PEOPLE AT
ACCA KNOW OF
THEIR TRUE
IDENTITIES.

THIS
INCLUDES
OTIS.



AND I'VE
FOUND JUST
THE MAN IN THE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT.

EVEN THERE
HE DOES
HIS WORK
UNDERCOVER.





The Kingdom of Dowa

The Kingdom of Dowa is based on an independent administration system.

The Kingdom is split into 13 states, with each state having its own unique culture.

ACCA consists of many services that have been unified into one giant organization. They have offices in each of the 13 states, and ACCA HQ, located in the capital, serves to control the branch offices. The Inspection Department, which Jean works for, has a member from HQ stationed at each of the branch offices to run daily inspection duties, as well as unscheduled visits from the higher ranking officers.



*The darker sections of the map are states that have been inspected.

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